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In reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of February 10, 2005, Applicants resubmit the following section:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page <u>5</u> of this Amendment.